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BOX PATENT APPLICATION  
Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Re: Tetsuya AKIMOTO, Morihisa HIRATA  
METHOD AND COMPUTER SOFTWARE PRODUCT FOR CALCULATING A  
NUMERICAL VALUE REPRESENTATIVE OF A PROPERTY OF A CIRCUIT  
Our Ref. Q55026

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above including 28 sheets of the specification, claims, 4 sheets of drawings, and a copy of the executed Declaration and Power of Attorney. The Assignment will be filed at a later date.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

|                    |                |   |          |   |         |   |          |
|--------------------|----------------|---|----------|---|---------|---|----------|
| Total claims       | <u>12</u> - 20 | = | <u>3</u> | x | \$18.00 | = | \$0.00   |
| Independent claims | <u>6</u> - 3   | = | <u>3</u> | x | \$78.00 | = | \$234.00 |
| Base Fee           |                |   |          |   |         |   | \$760.00 |

**TOTAL FILING FEE** **\$994.00**

A check for the statutory filing fee of \$994.00 is attached. You are also directed and authorized to charge or credit any difference or overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 and any petitions for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

Priority is claimed from July 6, 1998 based on Japanese Application No. 190685/1998. The priority document will be filed at a later date.

Respectfully submitted,  
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